

Smithtown Elementary PTA Meeting

Agenda

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

- Pledge
- Welcome
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- Treasurer's Report - The balance was over \$27,000 at the end of October. (Some of the money was for Trunk or Treat and the fall plant sale. Some payments are due soon, so the balance will be lower.) / Trunk or Treat caused a negative profit this year. We have to look at charging more for tickets or requiring a ticket purchase for every child to at least break even.
- Principal's Report - Mrs. Lavery was unable to attend.
- Teacher's Report - Mrs. Brierton -
 - Kindergarten - They loved the Ragamuffin parade. They are working on letter sounds. In math they are working with 2d and 3d units. They began writing about what they are thankful for.
 - 1st grade - They are reading fables, fairy tales, and folktales. In PLTW, they are learning about light and sound.
 - 2nd - They are learning about the three states of matter and creating a cooler to keep ice from melting. They are also writing detailed paragraphs about communities around the world.
 - 3rd - They are continuing to write paragraphs. They are learning about various communities and how children around the world access books. They are also learning about the US government.
 - 4th - They are reading Shine. They are looking forward to their virtual author visits They are also learning about Native American culture.
 - 5th grade - They put up a wall of flags for Veteran's Day
 - Rise - They are working on what character traits make a good friend.
- Council Delegate's Report - Unable to attend

President's Report

- Giving & Sharing Committee - Please donate gift cards if you can by Thursday. (Target, Shop Rite, Stop and Shop, etc.)
- Book Fair It was a success! We will have profit numbers at the next meeting since we are waiting on Scholastic with final numbers.

- We are happy to report- the PTA was able to provide each classroom teacher with Scholastic dollars to help build their classroom libraries.
 - If you have books you'd like to donate- please let me know.
- Holiday Plant Sale- \$388 net profit - There was not a lot of lead time; we need to begin next year's order earlier. / Some orders were kicked back -
 - Need volunteers to help with pick-up on 12/8 from 3:30 - 6:30. Volunteer sign-up coming
- Thanksgiving Pie & Bread Sale- \$1,260 net profit
 - Need volunteers to help with pick-up on 11/23. Volunteer sign-up coming
- Membership Push- October Thanksgiving Pie winner is: Donna Nugent- She chose a Dark Chocolate Pecan Pie!
- November Membership drive
- Early Dismissal Wednesday 11/24- Emergency Management Drill 15 minutes early.
- Trunk or Treat Community Service letters were mailed yesterday.
- The district is participating in a TOY DRIVE through 12/13 - Please drop off new toys at the Smithtown Fire Department.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Dine-O-Round- Thursday November 18th: Philly Pretzel Factory- 25% back Don't forget to MENTION SEL!
 - No School: Thanksgiving Recess: 11/25 & 11/26
 - 1/2 Day Wednesday 12/1- Parent/ Teacher Conferences
 - No School for Students 12/2- Parent Teacher Conferences - Virtual or in person - If you have not yet heard from the teacher to schedule a conference, reach out ASAP.
 - Picture Day Retakes: Friday 12/3 - Current pictures should be emailed by next week to order.
 - RIF 12/8- Each child will receive a book from the PTA! (There will be another one in June.)
 - 12/8 starts "December to Remember" - 12 days countdown of ways to celebrate the season - A calendar will be sent home next week.
 - 12/16- Family Connect Night
 - 12/23- Holiday Sing-A-Long- Our 5th Graders will sing outside of each classroom.
 - 12/24- Winter Recess Begins
 - Back to school 1/3
 - NYE Ball: Dress to Impress- Start the year off with your best foot forward!
 - Dine-O-Round for January will be at Panera Bread on January 11th.

- Spirit Wear Promo - We have a NEW VENDOR! Order by 11/26 and orders will be delivered by 12/24. The link is on PTA website
- Strategic Plan Feedback Survey was emailed home this week by the district. Please fill out.
- SITE Committee - Liz Kircher is our parent representative. Please reach out to Liz with questions. - She goes once a month to NY Avenue with other building reps to discuss what is happening in each building. This is more procedural concerns and ideas.
- PTA Website (smithtownelpa.org)- tons of information/ flyers and forms
- Remind App: text @68dkk3 to 81010

Next BOE meeting will be **Tuesday 11/23 8pm**

Next PTA Meeting will be **Tuesday JANUARY 18th- 7pm**

NO DECEMBER MEETING